

Infrastructure Master Plan Committee Notes

Infrastructure Strategy #A.1

September 26, 2006

The meeting of the Infrastructure Master Plan Committee began at 8:00 a.m. with Paul Parker and Henry Luke presiding.

In attendance were Paul Parker, Louis Bronaugh, Dorothy Wilson, Don Hannabas, James Flournoy, J. J. Hollie, Rick Harrison, Richard Joseph, David Collmorgen, Mary Jo Gorden, Barbara Thompson, and Keith Wright, Susie Cardwell and facilitator, Henry Luke.

Paul Parker welcomed the attendees and gave a brief overview of some of the areas to be covered by the Infrastructure Foundation.

Key benchmarks and the specific Strategy (A.1.) were reviewed. This committee will be called the *Infrastructure Master Plan Committee* from this point forward.

The Committee began the process of setting a benchmark and determining gaps. The initial Infrastructure elements to be considered were determined as:

1. Water, sewer, and housing expansion (including the cooperation between governments.
2. Transportation
3. Economic development
4. Communications
5. Recreation, arts, parks, and entertainment

Subcommittees were established for each of the above, along with a chairperson to head each of the subcommittees. They will come up with trial benchmarks for each of the above areas to be presented at the next meeting for review and discussion—where they think they need to be, where they are, what the gap is, and how long to plan to eliminate the existing gap and gaps created by growth. Key dates are April 1, 2010 and 2016. The chairpersons for the subcommittees will bring in any people needed to accomplish their goals.

At the next meeting with tentative benchmarks, gaps and timing for elimination, the attention will turn to setting action steps to achieve the benchmarks. (See Agenda item #7.)

After enough meetings to finalize the benchmarks and action steps, attention will turn to Agenda item #11 where the right organizations adopt and implement action steps.

The chairperson chosen for each subcommittee are as follows:

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| Dorothy Wilson | Water, sewer, and housing |
| David Collmorgen | Transportation |

James Flournoy
J.J. Hollie
Don Hannabus

Economic development
Communications
Recreation, arts, parks and entertainment

Paul Parker will be the Chairman of the Infrastructure Foundation as well as the Chairman for the Infrastructure Master Plan Committee (until Paul decides to shift the Committee Chair responsibility to someone else).

Dorothy Wilson provided a cluster map of Lufkin and the surrounding area.

For current and back issues of Texas Business Review, see website of the Bureau of Business Research (<http://bbr.icc.utexas.edu/>). The current issue has an interesting article titled "A New Approach to Innovation & Growth in the Texas Technology Corridor."

The Infrastructure Master Plan Committee will meet to review progress monthly on the third Tuesday of October, November, and December at 8:00 a.m. in the Community Room of the Chamber. The next meeting is scheduled for October 17th.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:45 a.m.